

# MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC FORUM HELD ON 8 SEPTEMBER 2021

# 1. Opening

The Public Forum commenced at 5.32pm.

## 2. Presentations by Invitation from the CEO

There were no presentations.

# 3. Presentations relating to listed Items on the Council Agenda

The following presenters were heard via Zoom:

No	Name	Agenda item	Item description	For/Against
1	Mr Richard Johnston	8.1	Development Application - DA.2021.1151 - Alterations, Extension and Second Storey Addition to a Dwelling House - 81 Turallo Terrace, Bungendore	Against
2	Mr Geoff Langford	8.1	Development Application - DA.2021.1151 - Alterations, Extension and Second Storey Addition to a Dwelling House - 81 Turallo Terrace, Bungendore	Against

### 4. Petitions

There were no petitions submitted.

#### 5. 'Questions on Notice' from the Public

Responses to the following 'Questions on Notice' received up to 1 September 2021 were provided and tabled at the meeting (see attached for responses):

Nos	Received from	In relation to:	
1-8	Save Bungendore Park Inc	19-21 Gibraltar Street Bungendore	

### 6. Closure

As there were no further matters, the Public Forum closed at 5.40pm.



# ATTACHMENT TO MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC FORUM HELD ON 8 September 2021

#### 'Questions on Notice' from the Public

Responses to the following 'Questions on Notice' received up to *Wednesday 1 September 2021* were provided and tabled at the meeting.

# Questions submitted by: Save Bungendore Park Inc

1. We understand Council had acquired 19-21 Gibraltar St, Bungendore. Is this correct?

**Response: Community Connection** 

Yes

2. Public records suggest the sale price was \$1.43m. Were any additional costs incurred or payments due in connection with the acquisition? What were these?

**Response: Community Connection** 

Property valuation, legal and buyer's agent fees were incurred to the value of slightly less than \$31,000.

3. Who was the vendor? (We note this will be a matter for the public record, so no confidentiality restrictions apply).

**Response: Community Connection** 

Hemmings Property Group Pty Ltd

4. Can Council confirm the total cost of this acquisition?

**Response: Community Connection** 

\$1,331,000 including fees

5. How was this site selected? Had it been publicly marketed or was Council approached directly? Was there any open tender or EOI process? What alternatives were considered?

**Response: Community Connection** 

An options report was prepared to review potential sites in Bungendore to accommodate office and potential community uses.

6. How did Council satisfy itself that the purchase price was appropriate? Was a valuation obtained? Can this be released?

**Response: Community Connection** 

The purchase price was within the range identified in the independent property valuation.

7. How does Council propose to use this site? When does it expect to commence (and complete) building works?

**Response: Community Connection** 

The site is intended to be used for a new Council office. A commencement date for construction is not yet available. Being a corner site in the town centre, it also has potential for other community uses.

8. How will Council use this site if (as appears likely) the sale of 10 Majara Street does not proceed?

**Response: Community Connection** 

That would be a matter for Council to determine at a later date.